

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☐

Property Name: Mezger ~~Mezger House~~ Inventory Number: CAR-364
Address: 12786 Holly Road City: Ridgely Zip Code: 21660
County: Caroline USGS Topographic Map: Denton, MD
Owner: Fritz Mezger ~~Mezger~~ Is the property being evaluated a district? no
Tax Parcel Number: 75 Tax Map Number: 18 Tax Account ID Number: 07-005962
Project: Caroline County Airport 184.21 Ac. Agency: CCR, Inc.
Site visit by MHT Staff: X no yes Name: _____ Date: _____
Is the property located within a historic district? yes X no

If the property is within a district District Inventory Number: _____
NR-listed district yes Eligible district yes District Name: _____
Preparer's Recommendation: Contributing resource yes no Non-contributing but eligible in another context _____

If the property is not within a district (or the property is a district)
Preparer's Recommendation: Eligible yes X no

Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None
Documentation on the property/district is presented in:

Description of Property and Eligibility Determination: (Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)

The Mezger House (CAR-364) house is located at 12786 Holly Road, north of Holly Cross Roads. This c. 1890 house is a vernacular example of the I-House. The house was owned in 1897 by R. Plummer according to a map of Caroline County by M. L. Saulsbury. The Mezger House is a two-story wooden frame house that rests on a solid brick foundation. A long dirt drive leads to the house. The front façade of the house originally faced northeast, but the porch has been removed and it is no longer used as the main entry. The exterior walls of the house are covered in vinyl siding and the gabled roof is clad in composition shingles. A one-story screened porch is located on the southeast façade and a second one-story screened porch is situated on the west corner of the house. There are two brick chimneys. One chimney is in the center of the main roof and the second is in the center of the two-story rear ell. The original windows have been replaced with one-over-one aluminum double-hung sash windows.

There are three outbuildings associated with this house including an equipment shed to the west. The equipment shed is a one-story structure with a gabled roof covered in corrugated metal and is open to

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Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended ☒
Criteria: A B C D Considerations: A B C D E F G None
Comments: _____

Andrew Lewis
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

2/24/06
Date

B. K. Smith
Reviewer, NR Program

2/21/06
Date

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Continuation Sheet No. 1

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the southeast. Southwest of the house is a two-story barn (A) that features an exterior covered in vertical boards and a gabled roof clad in corrugated metal. On the southeast façade of the barn is a one-story concrete block addition with a gabled roof covered in standing-seam metal. Also to the southwest of the house is a second barn (B) that is two-and-a half-stories is constructed of concrete block and corrugated metal on the ends and vertical boards on the side elevations. The gabled roof is clad in standing-seam metal. Southwest of the barn (B) is a granary. In the center of the yard, southwest of the house is a concrete slab. The current resident is unsure what this concrete slab was for.

This house retains a low level of architectural integrity due to multiple alterations that include the addition of vinyl siding, the original windows have been replaced, the front porch has been removed, and the addition of two screen porches. Due to the alterations the house recommended as not eligible for the NRHP under Criterion C. In addition this house was not significant in the development of the area and is not known for any association with important individuals. Therefore, the house is not recommended as eligible for the NRHP under Criteria A or B.

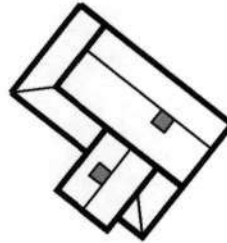
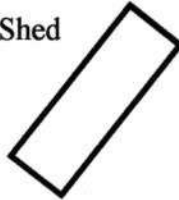
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Date Prepared: 08/30/05

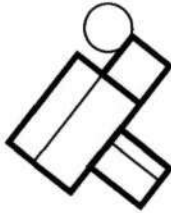
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Equipment Shed

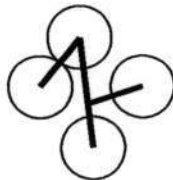
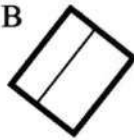


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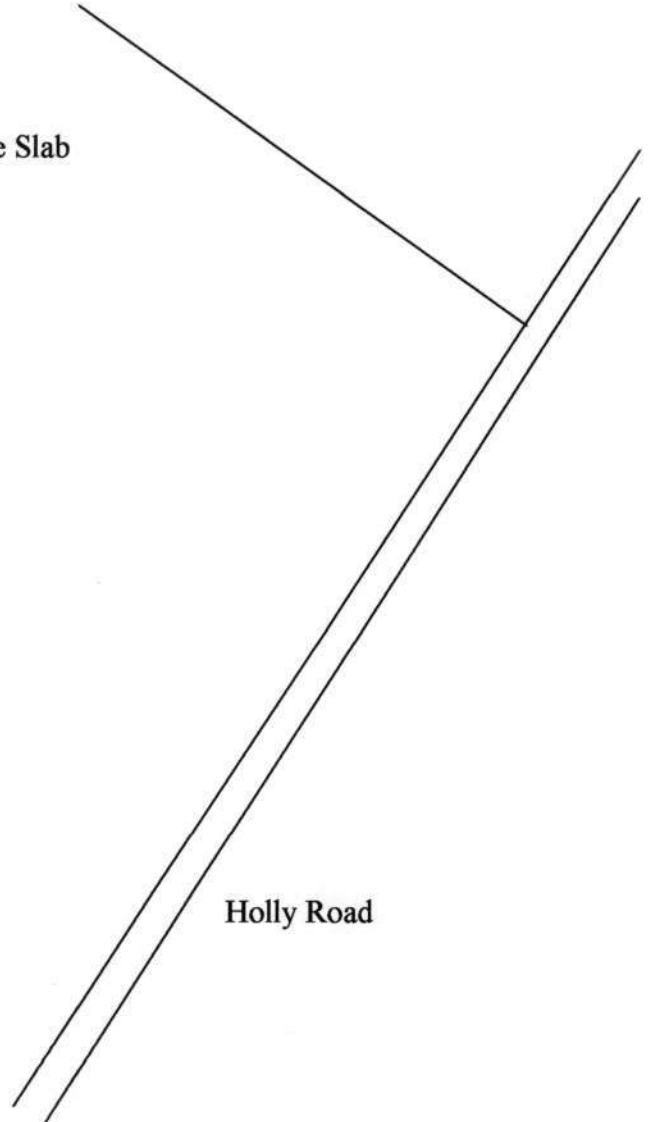


Barn A

Barn B



Granary



Holly Road

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B

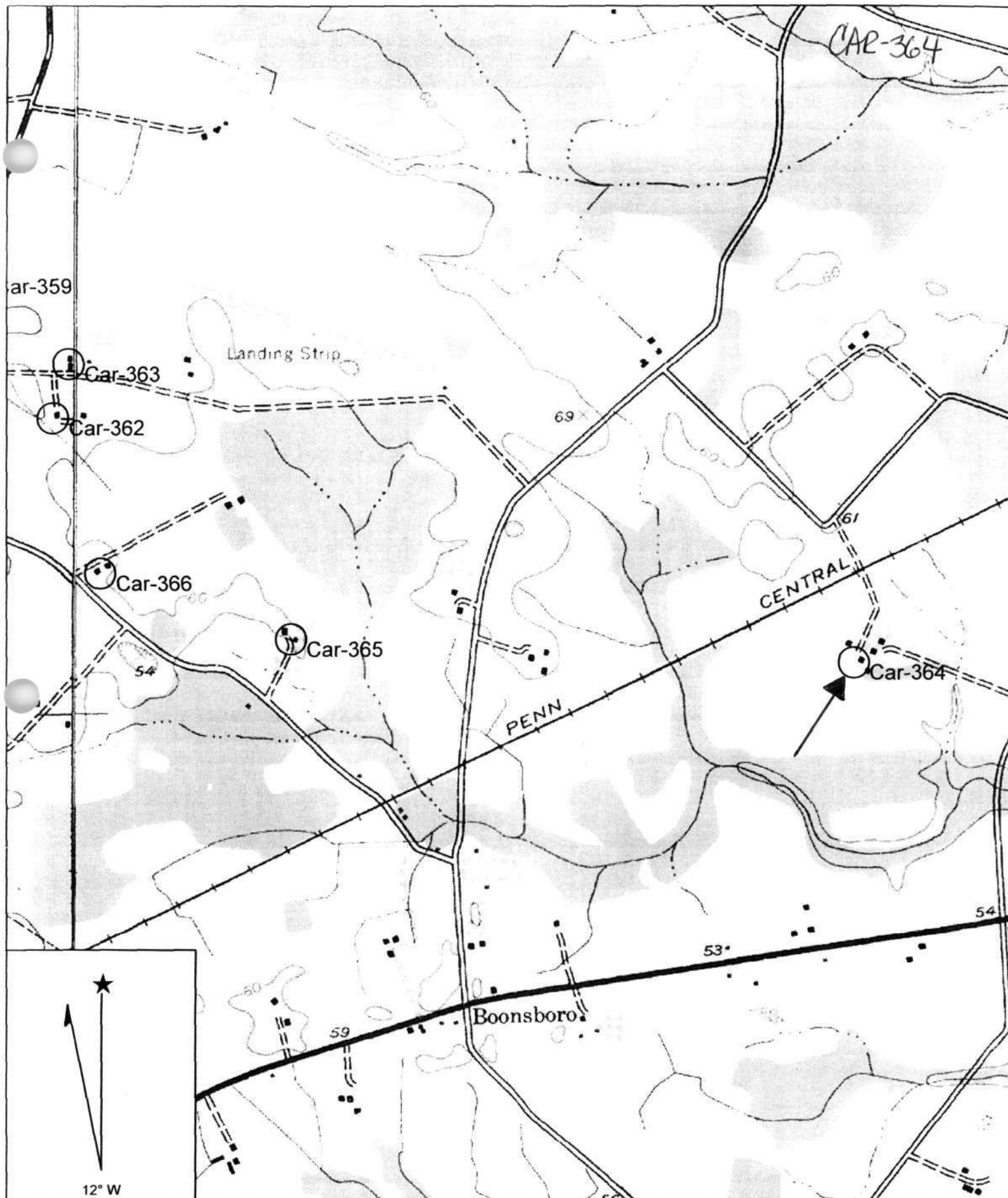
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Name: DENTON
Date: 9/30/2005
Scale: 1 inch equals 1333 feet



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VIEW OF HOUSE, EAST ELEVATION

ROLL 2/EXP 23

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